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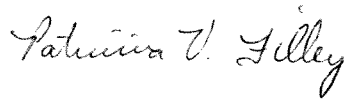
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Dear Ms. Rutson:

I have been a Barrington resident for 19 years and plan to remain in the area to raise my family for many years to come. Our family home is in close proximity to railway tracks that the Canadian National Railway Company has proposed to purchase. I am extremely concerned about the impact this proposal will have on our way of life. I cross the tracks in question three times in the span of approximately 1.5 miles just to reach the center of town where the grocery store is. I also cross the tracks numerous times to reach the elementary, middle, and high schools my three children attend. The railroad tracks would need to be crossed at least once for emergency vehicles from the fire and police station to reach my home. Route 59 and Route 14 are major thoroughfares used on a daily basis not only by businesses but by residents like myself.

Along with the traffic and safety concerns, I am troubled by the noise that will adversely affect my family and the impact it will have on our life and of those in neighboring communities. I strongly urge you to consider against Canadian National Railway Company's proposal because of the negative overall effect it will have.

Sincerely,



Patricia V. Filley